

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention provides a part retrieving method that makes it possible to easily and promptly identify parts of even a production machine having a frequently changed specification, including uniquely specified parts of that machine. This method employs a portable storage medium 5 such as a CD-ROM having machine part information 6 recorded thereon and data processing equipment 4 such as a personal computer. The machine part information 6 is a collection of information on the parts constituting each production machine. The machine part information 6 includes a part table, an assembly drawing, an electric-circuit diagram, and the like. The data processing equipment 4 includes retrieval means 15 for retrieving parts depending on retrieval conditions.